## Today

Queer Patriotism. Has Carpentier a Chance? How to Be Robbed. One Minute Per Man.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE -

(Copyright, 1920). Patriotism takes various forms. For instance, an intelligent young Frenchman is in America inquiring about bets on the coming prize fight between Dempsey and Carpentier. America will bet five or six to one on Dempsey, mixture of American-Indian and Irish blood.

The inquiring Frenchman says he can lose no money, because, while Americans give odds on their man, French "patriotism" will bet "even money or better" on the

Taking odds here to be laid off in France, with the help of French patriotism, makes loss impossible for the international bettor.

What is patriotism? Why should it make American crowds howl with indignation at the suggestion that the Frenchman's fists, obsolete weapons, may beat the American? The answer is that, while fists as weapons are obsolete, admiration of fighting and the

wolf instinct are still with us. The years are not many, fifteen thousand or thereabouts, since among our ancestors "the old man" aged thirty to forty ruled the family by the power of his fists and arms, terrorized the young men, and thought he owned all the women, which, luckily for these generations, he did not.

Once the only thing that counted was the power to knock another man down. That is all there was to Richard the Lion-Hearted, and all the chivalrous knights from Launcelot to Don Quixote. They put the gallop of a horse back of "punch" and sometimes fought for an idea instead of gate money. There was no other dif-

Ten thousand young voices exclaim: "Never mind the has-beens. Has Carpentier any chance against Dempsey?"

He has, young men; all the chance of a rapid-fire gun against a whippet tank. The tank, probably, will roll over the machine But the gun MAY put a bullet in the right spot and stop the

The American fighter has the powerful muscles, the Frenchman the better nerves. And he will not be in the least afraid of the "champion," which is 30 per your patriotism find some other

A lady with fine earrings, diamond rings, best clothes on, is bound for a dinner dance in the evening. Her husband sees "a white taxicab trimmed with green" running along and tells the driver goes, takes the wife to a spot in the park, where two gentlemen are waiting. A pistol is pointed, the lady steps out and waits while she is robbed of rings, earrings and money, even her stockings searched. Then the driver and robbers, genial confederates, drive off together, leaving her in the road, fortunately not injured physi-

What better encouragement to crime than sending an unknown taxicab, most convenient machine for robbery, to take a well-dressed, bejeweled woman on an errand through the park or through lonesome streets after dark?

There are responsible taxicab companies, with reliable drivers. There are associations of independent taxicab drivers, careful in admitting members to their organizations, thoroughly reliable.

There are it vidual taxicab operat g individually, owners. perfectly honest. There are also iail birds and professional criminals, scores of them in every big city, running taxicabs as a side issue for part of a livelihood, waiting for a chance to rob women or men as their serious business. If you don't want to be robbed. call a taxicab with a reputation

Don't believe that any license number protects you. A number is easily changed. Responsible cab owners outside of big companies should all enter some organiza-tion of owners. The irresponsible should be put off the street.

Congress has decided to add forty-eight members to the lower house. Salaries of the new wise ones will amount to \$360,000 a year. Secretaries, free postage, mileage, and sundries will cost nearly as much more. Is anything

gained by the increase? The idea is to give added reprerentation to increased population. With the increase there will be 483 members of the lower house, one for 219,000 of population. When our population rises from 105,000,000 to 310,000,000, as it will do presently, shall we have 966 Congressmen, to be ruled by ninety-six Senators and vetoed by one President?

Shall we have 1,932 Congressmen after the population doubles twice? It will double automatically for a while, up to a population of at least one thousand mil-

If the lower house of 483 sat every day of the year for eight hours and the members divided the time evenly without any recess it would give each member a little

less than one minute per day to tell what he knew. That would be plenty on the average, you may say. But is it a good system? Somebody said that efficient committee is made up

## TUBERCULAR YANKS HERE FED ROTTEN FOOD, THEY PROTEST

WEATHER Cloudy and unsettled weather tonight and Monday, not much change in temperature. Lowest temperature tonight about 30 degrees. Gen-tle to moderate variable The Washington Times

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# HERO'S WIDOW EXONERATES OTHER WOMAN

Beef "Embalmed," Eggs "Bad," Public Health Service Patients Complain.

DON'T LIKE MAIL SERVICE

Consumptives Make Kick to Officials—Charges Denied by Dr. Trimble.

One man was slightly injured and damage estimated at \$2,000 to \$3,000 was caused this morning by a fire which swept a frame build-ing at the Public Health Service Hospital, 2650 Wisconsin avenue northwest. The fire, of unknown origin, started at 7:45 o'clock in the quarters of the male attendants. All the personal effects of the men were destroyed.

Charging that they were being given "bad" eggs, skimmed milk, 'embalmed" beef ,and objectionable maid service, some of the twenty-six tubercular patients, all ex-service men, who are said to have contracted the disease in the trenches in France during the world war, held an indignation meeting on Friday at Public Health Service Hospital cent of every fight. Dont' bet. Let No. 30, Mt. Alto, on Wisconsin

APPOINT COMMITTEE.

As a result of the meeting, a committee of three was appointed to confer with officials of tthe hospital to make formal protest against food and service.

The patients claimed they were being "bullied" and had been told when protesting that if they were resounding to the fervid address of dissatisfied they could

eral S. L. Christian, in charge of the atlents, to ascertain whether the so, to correct them.

CONFERENCE HELD.

The conference between the officials of the hospital and the pa- Nations adjourned its six weeks' and property in Moscow than in allegiance to the British crown. tients was held yesterday. The patients' committee comprised A. B. O'Neill, jr., W. H. Stamats, and oseph Jean Bernstein, while hospital was represented by Dr. a world body.

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Attack Italian Chamber in Protest at Delayed Pensions. Guard is Shot.

ROME. Dec. 19.-Three royal guards were in hospitals today folowing a demonstration by war cripples in front of the chamber of deputies in which shots were fired and all manner of missiles were hurled at the troops guarding the building. The cripples, many with crutches and others borne by their comrades on stretchers, gathered before the chamber yesterday afternoon to inluence passage of the delayed pen-

Deputies endeavored vainly to pla them by assurances the bill would be given consideration. One group of demonstrators broke through cordon of royal guards, swinging their crutches about the heads of the troops. The cripples were finally driven back.

Later, however, they commandeered a number of automobiles and drove to the war ministry, where they staged aanother demonstration. Attempts to invade the chamber of deputies were frustrated by troops. In one attempt to break through a cripple wrested a revolver from a royal guard and shot him in the The cripples stoned the breast. chamber doors and broke many win-

of three members, with two of them absent.

It is easy enough to establish a republic, not so easy to run it in such a way as to give the "sovereign people," as the sarcastic expression has it, any real control. What, for instance, have YOU to say about the government of this country beyond the general statement that you don't think much

### HOSPITAL FARE Pastor Quits, Unable To Believe Man Who Plays Cards Is Pagan

R. Miller, pastor of the First Baptist outside the church as inside

the soldiers in camps destroyed his are right. former ideals of Christianity, and so. Miller's signed statement, submitted after twenty-two years in the min- to the official board of the church, istry, he quits with creed shattered reads as follows: and faith submerged.

DEPLORES RESTRICTIONS.

does not do any of those things he is a Christian.

ficial standards of the church.

"The centre of culture in America Church, one of the most fashionable today is not the church, but the educain the city, today resigned and with tional institutions. University profes drew from the ministry.

Sors are teaching things of the church, and it seems to me that the professors

"As a result of a conviction which has been forming in my mind for sev-"I have come to believe," said he, eral years, I have decided to withdraw "that the church imposes restrictions from the pastorate and enter another ernment will begin the greatest on a minister that other wholesomely calling. My action is not taken with Irish experiment of the past one with. There are standards of Christi- but rather, in respect to the ministry anity in the church that I believe are as a vocation. My views of life and purely fictitious. I cannot bring my- doctrine have changed and are changself to think that because a man ing. and I find it increasingly difficult to discharge some of my duties in the right spirit. "The church is in excellent condi-

conscious of a repugnance toward bright with promise for this parish. evangelistic methods and the super- I thank you for your patience, prayers, I love, and cooperation.

# **WORK IN ROW STRONGER GRIP**

four Defies Assembly in Closing Session.

GENEVA, Dec. 19.—The hall still Lord Robert Cecil, representing ing. Past Assistant Surgeon Genz the course of the council in the mat-Public Health Service hospitals of ter of mandates, and the delegates weakened the Bolsheviki, but has widely divided on the probability of the District, arranged to meet the still nonplussed by the candid decommittee of three, representing the largetion of Arthur I. Russia committee of three, representing the laration of Arthur J. Balfour that in Russia. complaints were warranted and if the mandate nations are entitled to is bringing the British lion near to that the Sinn Fein will concentrate some profit for their trouble and ex- the abyss. sessions here last evening, marking the termination of the first chapter the of the functioning of the League as Pasha, the Turkish Nationalist leader

GALLERIES CROWDED.

raining from amending the covenant f the League of Nations at this time. "The great work for the future activities of the assembly is the constitution of the international court."

FEATURES OF SESSION. Some of the outstanding features of the first session of the assembly are

1. The clash between the assembly and the council as to their respective powers, each contending and jockeying for the advantage.

2. Decision not to amend the covenant at this time, despite the demand of Canada and others for the elimination of Article X to facilitate the entrance of the United States. 3. Rejection of the request for the

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# CARDINAL GIBBONS

Bishop Reports Prelate's Condition Varies Every Hour-Wants Faithful to Pray.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 19 .- Bishop Owen B. Corrigan, vicar general of the archdiocese of Baltimore, this afternon in an official bulletin regarding the condition of Cardinal Gibbons, who has been for several days at the home of Robert T Shriver, Union Mills, Carroll County Md., says the Cardinal's condition varies from hour to hour, but declares those attending him hope for early bulletin as issued by Bishop Corrigan follows: The faithful of the archdiocese are

most anxious about the many reports oncerning the health of our beloved Cardinal. It is gratifying to an-rounce that he is under the best of from hour to hour, but those in attendance are hopeful of early re-. His devoted people are urged o offer daily prayers for him."

#### Cecil Scores Council and Bal- Proletariat Firmly Seated in Russia, Says Enver Pasha. British Lion at Abyss.

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND. Universal Service.

British and French blockade has not

pense, th eassembly of the League of There is greater security of life act. which preserves the country's

STATEMENTS IN LETTER.

These are the statements of Enver and commander-in-chief of the Turkish armies in the world war. The statements are made in a letter to Adjournment came at 6 o'clock, and friend in Berlin. Enver has twice the galleries were crowded by specta- since August traveled through Rusthe galleries were crowded by specia-tors, including many noted men and frontier to Bakua, in Asia, and back. women. The closing speech was made As one of the chief leaders of the John Barleycorn Inspires Two by President Hymans of the assembly. allied Bolshevik-Mohammedan move-We have tried a great experiment," ment against the British in Asia, Enhe said, "and we have succeeded. Our ver is an ally of Lenin, but he has re work has shown the wisdom of re- peatedly declared to me that he is no Communist himself.

Enver recently returned to Ger tthe Princess Sultana, and their two children, and then disappeared again. weeks before the utter defeat of Wrangel, the letter says.

"It seems really comical to me when my friend put the question whether the Soviet Government still had three months of life in it. That was more than a month ago, when the Rusian Soviet armies were forced to fall back from Warsaw. I could not conceive how a man who is at the source of all information from Russia restaurant and quelled the rioters. could be so falsely informed

PROLETARIAT GOVERNS. "He looked at me questioningly

and I observed that he expected an ver, that the soviet government, i it cannot be annihilated by forces oming from without, may continue (Continued on Page 3, Column 5.)

#### Get This

Distribution of The Washington Times calendar for 1921 was begun by carriers today. All subscribers should themselves of the opportunity to get one of these calendars.

They are highly artistic, of rare and delicate tinting effect, and worthy of a place in any library, studio or living The picture ornamenting

the calendar is from the brush of Haskell Coffin, one of the foremost illustrators of the present day. It is en-titled "Motherhood," and shows a comely young matron in reflection, holding a laughing babe in her arms. Be sure and ask your carrier for The Washington Times 1921 calendar.

### HOME RULE TO BE LAW SOON

Irish Bill Passes Commons. Reaches Lords-King Will Sign Early This Week.

By ROBERT J. PREW.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Immediately upon the new year the British govenforce the Irish Home Rule act. BILL PASSES COMMONS.

land was passed by the House of Commons in amended form for the second time yesterday and was then sent to tion. We have had a happy and pros- the House of Lords, with the governliament fails to function for two respond to the horrors around us. posal that if the south of Ireland paryears the act shall be considered dead and a crown colony government shall

> Premier Lloyd George has declared cople is, or is not, in favor of nome to return to constitutional methods. "I have great hope of this experiment being a success," the premier is

> bill will be signed by King George early

wing" Sinn Feiner and, it is understood, the premier has not abandoned it that they can only shrug their picion that he was exhibiting his It is understood one of the bases shoulders and say:

will be the grant of fiscal autonomy BERLIN, Dec. 19 .- The Soviet dic- to Ireland coincident with relief for Learning of the indignation meet- South Africa, in which he denounced tatorship in Russia is firmer in the Ireland from the taxation designed to mium in wartime, and the profiteers Opinion in London, however, is

of the government's optimism.

on frustrating the enforcement of the

# POLICE TO CHILD'S

Eruptions in Restaurant. Three Arrested.

John Barleycorn's goat strutted through the city last night as proudly many from Moscow to visit his wife, as he ever did before Mr. Volstead gave him a solar plexus blow. As tangible evidence of this, No. 1 police The letter I give here is dated No- precinct and police headquarters revember 2. That is more than two ceived two riot calls within half an Childs restaurant, 1423 Pennsylvania avenue, which lies in a nook between the Washington and Willard hotels. At 1:30 o'clock George Hampton night manager of the establishment. told the police a number of inebriated "gentlemen" were engaged in a freefor-all fight. Several precinct police and headquarters men hurried to the At 2 o'clock the desk sergeant at

No. 1 precinct was aroused by an- the Good Fellow Department still has paper, telephone Main 5260 or call other phone message from Childs a long list of families which must be personally at the Good Fellow De-that a police squad was needed. On both occasions crockery was Good Fellows. There is no time to be thrown over the floor and furniture lost because every Good Fellow ought overturned. The police reserves arto get in touch with the family he rived again. Two rioters were ar- or she intends playing Santa Claus to rested in the first cruption and one in and ascertain the needs and wants of the empty stocking and to see the second. The police had to treat its members. Today is the day to every poor person in the National

#### DISCOVER PLOT TO KILL JAPAN'S ARMY OFFICERS LONDON, Dec. 19 .-- A conspiracy

as been discovered at Seoul, Korea, for the assassination of Japanese officers, said a Central News dispatch from Tokyo today. Forty arrests have been made and arms and bombs were seized

#### A Christmas Suggestion A present that will be wel-

come day by day. That will be new all the time.

THE TIMES HERE AWAY

Delivered, \$7.20 a Year

By Mail \$10.50

### Shaw Now In Despair For U. S. and Britain; Puts Hope In Lenin ME, SOBS WIFE

Times by George Bernard Shaw on "The New Terrorism."

The second article was printed last Bunday.

In his first article, Mr. Shaw declared Britain's militaristic policy toward Ireland would inevitably lead to war with the United States. In the second he pointed out how the 1920 election had saved the United States from "Wilson's savage peace treaty," asserting that the vote had put America back where it was before "the President's surrender to Europe."

> By GEORGE BERNARD SHAW, Famous English Author.

(Copyright, 1920, by Star Company.) special Cable to the Washington Times.

LONDON, Dec. 19.-Let us no longer deceive ourselves. religious men do not have to contend respect to this church in particular, hundred years, when it atempts to Our statesmen are still in the dark ages and the war that brought down the night has been ended in victory that has This bill for the government of the deepened the gloom to blackness and intensified the terror

Like a man broken on a wheel, who shrieked at the C., movie actress and famous beauty, a Christian.
"For some time past I have been perous fellowship. The future is ment refusing to accept the lords' pro- first stroke but laughed at the second, we have ceased to and widow of the former British

But a few days ago I saw a photo-

graph of a lynching which was

handed around in a London draw-

ing room, and for this photograph

hold the fruit of democracy.

GET PHOTOS ALSO.

If such frightful photographs are

accessible to me they are accessible

to the American police. If people

pose for them they are evidently as

Now, lynching is anarchism in

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The Good Fellows are banded to

gether this year, as they were last

Christmas, to prevent the tragedy of

England blockading and starving of people are by no means silent or night, vigorously denied today that central Europe and laying Ireland to modest. waste; Japan keeping her counte- For example, before the war there for the estrangement of the couple, the trial period should extend for three and a half years, to give Ireland at least two opportunities of deciding whether the sentiment of the people is or the most wretched. I was sent a few furtive real holy Russia or the most wretched rule and a desire for southern Ireland of impostors) combining with the nothing distinctly and evidently had Turks to crush Armenia; South been taken at some risk to the

Africa threatened with a secession photographers. in which while labor is irreconcilable It is now certain the House of Lords with the millionfold of colored labor; will give way on this point and the holocausts of children in the heart of Europe; and above all the steady the lynchers, including a group of Meantime. Premier Llord George is the allies in starving central Europe the allies in starving central Europe have not also starved themselves—
is in touch with Michael Collins, "left wing" Sinn Feiner and, it is under the few who are concluded with the left winder.

"Let us eat and drink, for tomor- country in its worst aspect to eastof the hoped for Irish compromise will be the grant of fiscal autonomy row we die," while the fools who to point to this horror and say "Rehave found that folly is at a prewho have found that war makes profiteers rich, drive the sheep-like multitude in every direction where

AMERICAN NOT SHEEPLIKE.

America is not all a sheeplike sure as the black and tans in Ireland multitude any more than England. that they have no reason to fear The sane should combine all over prosecution. the globe. The deep should call to the deep as the shallow shrieked to practice, and it is absurd that the United States, while fiercely persethe shallow. Men of good intent should make themselves conscious of cuting theoretic anarchists and reone another and of their strength, fusing to admit to their shores any for do not forget that the other sort

sworn enemies of gloom and sadness.

Christmas is now six days off and+

enroll as a Good Fellow. All you

# O'BRIEN BEAT

Famous Veteran Given to Uncontrollable Fits of Temper, She Charges.

UNBALANCED, SAY FRIENDS

Woman Companion of Widow Disclaims Any Responsibility for Deed.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19 .- Mrs. Pat O'Brien, formerly Miss Virginia Elizabeth Allen, of Washington, D. aviator and noted war hero, who shot and killed himself here Friday Mrs. Sarah Ottis was responsible as alleged in a love note left by

SUFFERS FROM SHOCK.

She spent most of the day on a cot in her room suffering from shock. She feared to meet her husband beause of a premonition, that a tragedy was impending, she told officers, be-

tween sobs. "I was in mortal fear of Pat," she said. "I was afraid to live with him for fear he would take my life. That is why I drended to go to his room when he telephoned that he wanted to talk to me.

"Mrs. Ottis was just a friend to us, more like a mother than anything else, and I don't know what I would have done if she had not tress. She was not to blame, and feel I must contradict the awful

statement left by my husband. at Chicago. We came to Los Al geles to live, and he and I bot worked in motion pictures. 'As time went on, he became subject to terrible fits of temper. He often

WOMAN CAME TO VISIT. "Mrs. Ottis, who had known both of us several years, came from Chicago two months ago to visit Mrs. Ottis also talked to the

authorities. She said:

"I have known Lieutenant O'Brien for three years. I met him in Chicago while working with General Pershing's sister-in-law, Mrs. Jeannie Pershing, in a war booth. I became friendly with him and never had a quarrel with him.

"I accompanied Mrs. O'Brien to a

Hotel at her request. I always advised Mrs. O'Brien to return to her husband if she wanted to." While friends cared for the wide oday, the opinion was expressed that British forces before the United States entered the war and made his sensational escape from German after being shot down behind the lines, was mentally unbalanced when

he took his life in a hotel room

PICTURE WAS FAILURE. His mental condition, it is said, was lue to his war experiences and the additional fact that he had been threatened while starring in an anti-Japanese picture, "Shadows of the West." So great was the opposition to the

picture, it was said, that the film was O'Brien fled hurriedly from her home hearted men and women who have declared themselves the in Hollywood Friday afternoon after Ottis was with her and they took adjoining suites et a hotel.

O'Brien was the author of the fa-mous book, "Outwitting the Hun," and of Government officials and diplomats who ever had an interview with the King of England.

WIFE WAS D. C. WOMAN.

A certificate of suicide without the ormality of an inquest will be issued y the coroner in connection with Brien's death.

The body will probably be sent to Momence, Ill., his former home, it was stated by the widow. Mrs. O'Brien formerly was a Washington newspaper woman, writing under the names of "Virginia Dale" and

"Virginia Dare." MOMENCE, Ill, Dec. 19 .- "Pat 18 These words passed from mouth to mouth today and a hush fell over the gay holiday crowds. This little coun-

try town, nestling on the prairies of Illinois, was the home of Lieut, Pat O'Brien, hero of the world war, whose life of adventure terminated with his tragic death in Los Angeles. Momence was stunned by the story from Los Angeles of hew Lieut, Pa

It was just three years ago that Pat came home after his greatest ad venture overseas. Four German airplanes had attacked him. He was wounded. His plane fell 8,000 feet. He returned to consciousness in a Ger man hospital. While being moved he leaped from the train and staggered his way to Holland, then making his way to America.

O'Brien had killed himself.

#### I will be a good fellow to ..... Persons or ..... families (as many as you wish). Please give me names of persons in ......

assigned to you).

#### a Merry Christmas for Themselves and Washington's Needy Families. The Christmas spirit is abroad in the land and has actuated several hundred Good Fellows to take under their wings families which would have had no prospect of a merry Yuletide, but for the intervention of these generous-

need to do is sign the form in today's (Continued on Page 2, Column 4.)

GOOD FELLOWS!

Here's a form for you to fill out if you will aid in stating

If you will be a Good Fellow on Christmas to some family

(State what section of city you prefer to have

in Washington, please fill out the attached blank and send it to

your plans for helping the poor, the aged, and the ill.

"The Times Good Fellow Department."

WILL YOU

Be a Good Fellow?

Only Six Days Remain for Generous-Hearted

Men, Women and Children to Guarantee